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Programme of meetings and agenda

Official meetings

[There are no official meetings scheduled at Headquarters *today*, 30 December 2011.]

Press conferences

[There are no noon briefings or press conferences scheduled until Tuesday, 3 January 2012.]

Security Council

The President of the Security Council for the month of January 2012 (South Africa) will provide a briefing for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council on the programme of work for the month, on *Wednesday, 4 January 2012*, at 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

The President of the Security Council will also provide a briefing to the press on the programme of work for the month of January, on *Wednesday, 4 January 2012*, at 12.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Delegations can view the press briefing from the United Nations Webcast <www.un.org/webcast>.

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Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Programme of work

Since the issuance of the revised programme of work and schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly (A/INF/66/3/Rev.1), the following changes have been made:

Agenda items 12 (Global road safety crisis), 34 (Prevention of armed conflict) and its sub-item (a) (Strengthening the role of mediation in the peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution), 35 (Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development) and 39 (The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan), originally scheduled for Monday, 12 December 2011, will be considered at a later date in the resumed part, to be announced.

The specific meeting focused on development, to be held under agenda item 117 (Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit), pursuant to resolution 60/265, has been postponed from Friday, 18 November 2011, to a date in the resumed part, to be announced.

Additional scheduling of items or changes in the programme of work will be announced in the *Journal* and on the Web site of the General Assembly <www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings/66schedule.shtml>, and will be reflected in revised versions of the note by the President of the General Assembly.

Economic and Social Council

Organizational session for 2012

The Economic and Social Council will hold a meeting on Tuesday, 10 January 2012, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB), to elect the President and other members of its Bureau for 2012. The provisional annotated agenda for the organization session is contained in document E/2012/2.

United Nations Children's Fund

First regular session 2012

The 2012 first regular session of the Executive Board of UNICEF will take place from Tuesday, 7, to Friday, 10 February 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2012/1. The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, WFP and UN-Women will take place on Monday, 30, and Tuesday, 31 January 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

The election of the officers of the Executive Board of UNICEF for 2012 will be held on Wednesday, 18 January 2012, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB). The election will be followed by an informal consultation on the thematic discussion on focus area 3 (HIV/AIDS and children), from 4 to 6 p.m.

The 2012 first regular session will be preceded by an informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the Executive Board on Friday, 27 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

Advance documentation for the session is available on the following Web site: <www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_59924.html>. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to send their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (e-mail jpiccolominigeary@unicef.org; fax 1 (212) 326-7096), as early as possible, but no later than *Friday, 20 January 2012*.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

First regular session 2012

The first regular session 2012 of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will be held from Wednesday, 1, to Friday, 3 February 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2012/L.1.

Member States, as well as observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (e-mail marcela.romero@undp.org; fax 1 (212) 906-5634), as early as possible, but no later than *Monday, 23 January 2012*.

The session will be preceded by an informal consultation on matters to be taken up at the first regular session of the Board, on Monday, 16 January 2012, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, WFP and UN-Women will take place on Monday, 30, and Tuesday, 31 January 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

According to its decision 2006/14, the Board decided that, prior to the convening of the joint meeting, the new Bureau should be selected, and therefore there will be a formal meeting of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS, on Monday, 9 January 2012, from 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/66/251 and A/66/252.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Working Group of the General Assembly on the Reform of the Human Rights Treaty Bodies" (under agenda item 124) (convened by the delegation of the Russian Federation)

Monday, 9 January 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB);

Thursday, 12 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB);

Monday, 16 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB); and

Thursday, 19 January 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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International expert group meeting on the theme "Combating violence against indigenous women and girls: Article 22 of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples" (organized by the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division of Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Wednesday, 18, to Friday 20 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

[The meeting is open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Talei Cama, Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (e-mail cama@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1295 or 1 (917) 367-5100; fax 1 (917) 367-5102).]

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

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Introduction to United Nations documentation (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Thursday, 24 January 2012.

Official Document System (ODS) (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Monday, 30 January 2012.

UNITAR Fellowship Programme at the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies (January–April 2012)

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies are pleased to invite delegates to the UNITAR Programme at the Yale School. The Programme is open to all members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions. For further information and application, please visit the following Web site: <www.unitar.org/ny/international-law-and-policy/fellowship-at-yale-Environmental-studies>. For additional queries, please contact Ms. Soukeyna Fall, UNITAR (e-mail falls@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, 2012

Applications for the 2012 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, scheduled to be held at the Peace Palace in The Hague, Netherlands, from Monday, 9 July, to Friday, 17 August 2012, are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 10 February 2012*.

The Fellowship Programme will be conducted in French this year. For further information, including application forms, please consult the International Law Fellowship Programme Web site <www.un.org/law/ilfp>; or contact the Codification Division (e-mail ilfp@un.org).

Nominations for United Nations Population Award

As stipulated in General Assembly resolution 36/201 of 17 December 1981 (A/RES/36/201) on the United Nations Population Award, Member States are annually requested to nominate an individual or institution that has made "an outstanding contribution to the awareness of population questions or to their solutions" for consideration for the annual Award by the Committee for the United Nations Population Award. The Award currently consists of a monetary prize of US$ 12,500, a gold medallion and a citation and is awarded separately to one individual and one institution, public, private or civil.

The Committee wishes to remind permanent missions that the deadline for submission of nominations for the 2012 Award, which would be awarded in June 2012, is *Saturday, 31 December 2011*.

Questions related to the United Nations Population Award can be directed to the Award secretariat (e-mail populationaward@unfpa.org; tel. 1 (212) 297-5088), or to the office of the Permanent Representative of Egypt, Chair of the Committee for the United Nations Population Award (e-mail egypt@un.int; tel. 1 (212) 503-0300).

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Offices of the Security Council Secretariat Branch (room 08083, 730 Third Avenue (between 45th and 46th Streets); tel. 1 (212) 963-5258).

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

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Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

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Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Constitution of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization. Vienna, 8 April 1979

Denunciation: Lithuania (29 December 2011)[1]

Amendments to Articles 25 and 26 of the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes. Madrid, 28 November 2003

Ratification: Italy (29 December 2011)[1]

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. New York, 13 December 2006

Ratification: The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (29 December 2011)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. New York, 13 December 2006

Ratification: The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (29 December 2011)[1]

Nagoya - Kuala Lumpur Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety. Nagoya, 15 October 2010

Signature: Cyprus (29 December 2011)

Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization to the Convention on Biological Diversity. Nagoya, 29 October 2010

Signature: Cyprus (29 December 2011)

Signature: Lithuania (29 December 2011)

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *December 2011* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
United Republic of Tanzania
H.E. Mr. Ombeni Sefue

Asia-Pacific States:
Lebanon
H.E. Mr. Nawaf Salam

Eastern European States:
Slovakia
H.E. Mr. Miloš Koterec

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Dominican Republic
H.E. Mr. Héctor Virgilio Alcántara Mejía

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Netherlands
H.E. Mr. Herman Schaper

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Presidency of the Security Council
<www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>

Security Council
<www.un.org/Docs/sc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
<www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)
<www.un.org/sc/1540/>

Department of Economic and Social Affairs
<www.un.org/en/development/desa/index.html>

Economic and Social Council
<www.un.org/en/ecosoc/>

Office for Disarmament Affairs
<www.un.org/disarmament/>

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Yearbook of the United Nations
<http://unyearbook.un.org>

UN Chronicle
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Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters on Thursday, 29 December 2011

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A/66/551–S/2011/701	Items 14 and 117 — Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields — Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit — Letter dated 9 November 2011 from the Permanent Representative of Brazil to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*
A/66/590	Item 165 — Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 1863 (2009) — Budget performance on the financing of support for the African Union Mission in Somalia for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *25 pages*
A/66/L.21/Add.1	Item 76 (a) — Oceans and the law of the sea — Brazil, Cyprus, Iceland, India, Japan, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Singapore and Trinidad and Tobago: draft resolution [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
A/66/L.31/Add.1	Item 71 — Assistance to survivors of the 1994 genocide in Rwanda, particularly orphans, widows and victims of sexual violence — United Republic of Tanzania: draft resolution [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
A/66/L.32/Add.1	Item 15 — Culture of peace — Australia, Bangladesh, Belarus, Brazil, Egypt, Indonesia, Jordan, Libya, Myanmar, New Zealand, Pakistan, Philippines, Russian Federation, Seychelles, Trinidad and Tobago and Viet Nam: draft resolution — Promotion of interreligious and intercultural dialogue, understanding and cooperation for peace [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
A/66/L.33/Add.1	Item 70 (a) — Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations — Argentina: draft resolution — International cooperation on humanitarian assistance in the field of natural disasters, from relief to development [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
Security Council	**Documents**
A/66/551–S/2011/701	Letter dated 9 November 2011 from the Permanent Representative of Brazil to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*

S/2011/784 Letter dated 15 December 2011 from the Permanent Representative of Nigeria to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *11 pages*

Economic and Social Council

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Statistical Commission
Forty-third session

E/CN.3/2012/15 Item 3 (l) of the provisional agenda — Items for discussion and decision — Coordination of statistical activities in the United Nations — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *11 pages*

E/CN.3/2012/21 Item 4 (b) of the provisional agenda — Items for information: Washington Group on Disability Statistics — Report of the Washington Group on Disability Statistics — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *11 pages*

E/CN.3/2012/22 Item 4 (c) of the provisional agenda — Items for information: international merchandise trade statistics — International merchandise trade statistics — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *11 pages*

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